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USSR-Tanzania: The Tanzanians are considering a Soviet offer to provide several squadrons of MIG jet fighters over the next four years.

During the fi <u>rst</u> stage the USSR would deliver	
MIG-17s and jet trainers. The Soviets	
plan to give some 300 Tanzanians 18 to 48 months of	
flight and maintenance training in the USSR. After	
most of the training has been completed	
MIG-21s, would be	
delivered.	

The Soviet proposal is in response to Dar es Salaam's request for air defense assistance made last May. A Soviet Air Force team has already made a survey of existing air facilities within the country. Tanzania's small air force, which consists of transport and reconnaissance aircraft, is presently being trained and equipped by Canada

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